

**Comments on draft SNA chapter:
Addendum 1 to Chapter 9: The use of income account**

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Part I: General comments

In the space below, please provide any general comments, such as about the clarity with which the new recommendations were incorporated (30 words or less).

Comment:

The three set of changes that will be incorporated to the draft of chapter 9 dated 21 August 2006 are clear. However, as we indicated in our comments on the addendum to chapter 8, we wonder if a little more needs to be said about cases where it is not assumed that social transfers in kind received equal those "paid." Presumably in such cases "exports" for those "paid" and "imports" for those received are affected, along with secondary income receivable/payable abroad.

Regarding the convention:

- (i) In some countries (like Luxembourg) the in and out flows with the rest of the world are certainly not balanced. Does the convention then still hold?
- (ii) The true reason for the convention seems not be the indicated balancing of flows, but rather the wish to keep the values of the two concepts of final consumption exactly the same. Some of the conventional macroeconomic identities would otherwise need change.

Part II: Comments on specific draft paragraphs or passages

The Note by the Editor explains the reasoning that led to the ISWGNA conclusion that a breakdown of social transfers in kind between non-market production by government and NPISHs and goods and services purchased by government and NPISHs from market

producers for transmission to households at prices that are not economically significant is more relevant than trying to infer the type of benefit represented by social transfers in kind. Further, because this alternative breakdown relates to consumption rather than income, the breakdown is moved from chapter 8 to chapter 9. Do you have any comments on this proposal?

General comment	We agree with moving the alternative breakdown to chapter 9.
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Part III. Other specific comments

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